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Attached is a corrected version of the response that sent on May 7, 2001. This corrects entry of amendments made to certain claims and the abstract. The amendment to the specification is not included since it was previously entered. Specifically brackets and underlining were removed from claim 9 in the clean version and underlining were added to claims 13 and 24 in the marked-up version. Also instructions were added to replace the abstract and instructions were added advising which claims were to be amended.

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In response to the action mailed December 6, 2000 and the telephone call of the examiner of July 9, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 5 and 17.

Please amend the claims 1, 8, 9, 13, 20, 24 and 26, as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of inventory management comprises:  
verifying that articles in a grouped order belong to the grouped order, wherein verifying further comprises:  
examining codes on tags associated with each article in the group to determine that the article belongs in the group with examining further comprising:  
indicating to an operator if the scanned unique sequential identification does not correspond to an item that belongs in the group.

8. (Amended) The method of claim 7 wherein if the first item has been determined, the method further comprises:

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